



**URBAN RENEWAL AGENCY OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN  
DRAFT MEETING MINUTES**

**Regular Meeting  
Monday, December 14, 2009**

The Urban Renewal Agency's Board of Commissioners convened in a regular meeting on Monday, December 14, 2009, at 1000 E. 11<sup>th</sup> Street, Ste. 400A in Austin, Texas.

1. Meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm by Chairman Sifuentes.

**Board Members in Attendance:**

**Ben Sifuentes, Chair**  
**Sean Garretson, Vice-Chair**  
Sharon Baxter,  
Michael Clark-Madison

**Board Members Absent:**

**Kevin Cole**  
**Cristina DeLaFuente-Valadez**  
Daffney Henry

**Staff in Attendance:**

Margaret Shaw  
Anthony Snipes arrived at 6:30 p.m.  
Gina Copic  
Sandra Harkins  
Kathleen Saenz  
Edward Blake  
Susan Rocha  
Javier Delgado  
Jim Williams

2. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

The minutes from the regular meeting of 16 November 2009 were approved on Commissioner Garretson's motion; Commissioner Clark-Madison's second, on a 4-0-0 vote.

3. **CITIZEN COMMUNICATION: GENERAL**

None

Chairman Sifuentes recessed the meeting to go into Executive Session at 6:15 p.m.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

The Board of Commissioners of the Austin Urban Renewal Agency will meet in Executive Session under Texas Government Code 551.071 Consultation with Attorney and pending and contemplate litigation and 551.072 Real Property to discuss the following:

1. Discussion regarding legal issues and real estate development options related to the sale and lease of the 900 Block of East 11<sup>th</sup> Street (Block 16).
2. Discussion regarding the legal issues pertaining to the Unified Development Agreement (UDA) held by Austin Revitalization Authority (ARA) for the 1000 Block of East 11<sup>th</sup> Street (Block 17).

Executive Session ended and Chairman Sifuentes called the meeting back to order at 7:32 p.m.

#### ACTION ITEMS FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION:

1. Discussion and possible action on a recommendation to the Austin City Council to negotiate an agreement for the sale and redevelopment of the 900 Block of East 11<sup>th</sup> Street (Block 16). **Resolution rejecting the proposed RFP and come up with a new one was approved on Commissioner Baxter's motion, Commissioner Garretson's second on a 4-0-0 vote.**
2. Discussion and possible action regarding the Unified Development Agreement (UDA) held by ARA for the 1000 Block of East 11<sup>th</sup> Street (Block 17) and possible legal alternatives available to the Agency; directions to staff. **Commissioner Baxter's motion, Commissioner Garretson's second on a 4-0-0 vote**

Executive Session was taken out of Agenda order after Item 1 and before Item 2.

#### OPEN MEETING ITEMS:

#### 4. NEW BUSINESS:

- a. Receive report from property owners of 1123 East 11<sup>th</sup> Street, discuss possible action. **Report given by Jeff Krolick representative of Dick Clark Architecture, owners of property at 1123 East 11<sup>th</sup> Street.**
- b. Report, discussion and possible action on direction of ongoing meetings of officers from ARA, URB, and the City of Austin regarding implementing redevelopment plans for East 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> Streets. **Report given by Anthony Snipes Chief of Staff City of Austin and Margaret Shaw Director Neighborhood Housing and Community Development.**

#### 5. STANDING ITEMS

- a. Receive, discuss and possible action on updates from Austin Revitalization Authority (ARA) on the East 11<sup>th</sup> & 12<sup>th</sup> Streets Redevelopment Project(s); discussion and directions to staff. **Update given by Greg Smith Interim ARA President.**
- b. Receive and discuss updates from City staff status on East 11<sup>th</sup> & 12<sup>th</sup> Streets Redevelopment Project(s), and/or any upcoming Council action regarding the ARA. **Update given by Margaret Shaw regarding the status on East 11<sup>th</sup> & 12<sup>th</sup> Streets Redevelopment Project(s).**
- c. Receive, discuss and possible action on updates from the 11<sup>th</sup> Street Neighborhood Partners, Ltd. on Block 19 redevelopment – East Village Project, discussion and direction to staff. **Presentation given by Michael Casias of 11<sup>th</sup> Street Neighborhood Partners, Ltd.**
- d. Receive, discuss and possible action on updates concerning other City of Austin Board & Commission meetings that might have an impact on East 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> Streets redevelopment activities. **No Report.**

#### 6. NEXT MEETING/FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- a) Next meeting will be on Monday, January 11, 2009 beginning at 6:00 p.m.


## 7. ADJOURNMENT

**Chairman Sifuentes adjourned the meeting at 8:30 pm with no objections.**

The City of Austin and the Urban Renewal Agency of the City of Austin are committed to compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended. Reasonable modifications and equal access to communications will be provided upon request. Please call 512.974.3100 (voice) or 512.974.3102 (TDD) for assistance. For a sign language interpreter, please call Edward Blake at 512.974.3108 2-3 days in advance.

Neither the City nor the Urban Renewal Agency discriminates on the basis of disability in the admission or access to, or treatment or employment in, its program or activities. Dolores Gonzalez has been designated as the City's ADA/Section 504 Coordinator. Her office is located at 505 Barton Springs Road, Suite 600, Austin TX 78704. If you have any question or complaints regarding your ADA/Section 504 rights, please call the ADA/Section 504 Coordinator at 512.974.3256 (voice) or 512.494.2445 (TTY).

Minutes were approved by the Board of Commissioners on

*February 8*, 2009  


Edward Blake, Assistant Secretary